# Minutes of the Idaho Nursery and Florist Advisory Committee Meeting 10:00 a.m. – 11:10 a.m. September 28, 2005 Conference Call

#### In Attendance:

Howard Hughes, Hughes Greenhouses, Post Falls, ID – Committee Chairman Bill Dial, Custom Pools, Inc., Boise, ID – Committee Member Kevin Allen, Pro-Care Landscape Services, Meridian, ID – Committee Member David Jenkins, Jenkins & Son Christmas Trees, Inc, Sandpoint, ID – Committee Member Matt Wolff, Baxter Wholesale Nursery, Emmett, ID – Committee Member Gary Paulson, Mountain Plants Inc., Committee Member Dr. James E. Johnson, University of Idaho – Committee Member Michael E. Cooper, Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) – ISDA Representative Ann Bates, Idaho Nursery and Landscape Association - Guest

Chairman Hughes called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

### **Old Business:**

Idaho State Florist Association, Deborah Lyon, – Per previous committee approval and after conversations with Chairman Hughes \$2,371.70 was awarded to the association to support a speaker and workshop for their annual meeting in Idaho Falls.

#### **New Business:**

Review of Mid-Term Reports:

- 1) NAC/ISDA 2003-7 \$13,008 "Using Degree-Day and Plant Phenological Models to Accurately Time Chemical Treatment of White Pine Weevil in Conifer Nurseries." John Lloyd, Robert Wilson, and Edward Bechinski, University of Idaho. It was decided that this grant was not working out and at the request of Dr. Lloyd with committee approval this project is closed and the outstanding balance of the project will be returned to the committee. The report will be edited to correct some dates in the text. The report was then approved by the full committee. Grant Balance outstanding \$5,665.32
- 2) NAC/ISDA 2005–1 \$10,000 "Development of Improved Landscape Plants" Harold Pellet, PhD, Landscape Plant Development Center, Minnesota. A motion was made and seconded to approve the interim report. That motion was then approved by the full committee.
- 3) NAC/ISDA 2005-2 \$23,391.85 "How the Green Industry Impacts Idaho" Sandra Cann, University of Idaho. The survey is slated to go out this fall with a final report due by late February A motion was made and seconded to approve the interim report. That motion was then approved by the full committee.
- 4) NAC/ISDA 2005-3 \$4,600 "Evaluation of Cork bark and Subalpine Fir for Their Potential as Ornamental Nursery Stock and Christmas Trees" Dr. Dan Barney, University of Idaho. A motion was made and seconded to approve the interim report. That motion was then approved by the full committee.

5) NAC/ISDA 2005-4 \$10,836 "Using Auxin Treatments to Improve Pinyon Pine Transplant Survival" - Robert Tripepi, University, University of Idaho. A motion was made and seconded to approve the interim report. That motion was then <u>approved</u> by the full committee.

## **Budget**

Mike Cooper reported that the cash balance of the research fund as of September 1, 2005 was \$125,845.26

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.